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MINISTRY POSITIONS

Pastor, Capitol Hill Baptist Church, 1994-present.
 Associate Pastor, Eden Baptist Church, Cambridge, England, 1992-94.
 Pastor, New Meadows Baptist Church, Topsfield, MA, 1985-86.
 Pastoral Assistant, Topsfield Congregational Church, Topsfield, MA, 1982-85.
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OTHER ACTIVITIES

Teacher, Reformation Studies, Cambridge University, 1992-94.
 Editor, *Cambridge Papers*, 1992-94.
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 Supply Preacher, Eden Baptist Church, Cambridge, 1988-92.
 Contributing Editor, *Paradigms*, 1988-89.
 President, Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, Duke University, 1981.

PUBLICATIONS

"Providence," *Cambridge Papers* 2/2 (June, 1993).
 "The Power of the Resurrection in the Christian's Life," *Christian Arena* 46/1 (March, 1993).
 Review of Richard Muller, *God, Creation and Providence in the Thought of Jacob Arminius: Sources and Directions of Scholastic Protestantism in the Era of Early Orthodoxy*, in *Themelios* 18 (1993).
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 "John Leadley Dagg," in *Baptist Theologians*, ed. David S. Dockery and Timothy F. George, Broadman Press, 1990, pp. 165-187.
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 Forthcoming: "William Tyndale, Justification By Faith," *Building on a Sure Foundation*, (1995).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Tyndale Fellowship, 1989-present.
 American Society of Church History, 1986-present.
 Southern Baptist Historical Society, 1985-present.
 American Academy of Religion, 1984-present.

HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS

J.B. Lightfoot Scholarship in Ecclesiastical History, Cambridge University, 1989-91.
 Overseas Research Scholarship, Cambridge University, 1988-91.
 Garrett Teaching Fellowship, Southern Seminary, 1986-87.
 Student Commencement Speaker, Gordon-Conwell Seminary, 1986.
 President's Award, Gordon-Conwell Seminary, 1986.
 Departmental Award in Theology, Gordon-Conwell Seminary, 1986.
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 Dean's Honor List, Duke University, 1978-82.

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 The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The distinguished acting majority leader.

SCHEDULE

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, this morning the time for the two leaders is reserved as noted, and there will be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 10:30 a.m. At 10:30, the Senate will begin consideration of S. 1, the unfunded mandates bill. Under the unanimous-consent agreement, debate only will be in order on the bill prior to 2 p.m. today. Therefore, there will be no rollcall votes prior to 2 p.m. today.

I yield the floor, Mr. President.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, first of all I ask unanimous consent that Veronica McCarthy, a fellow in my office, be permitted privilege of the floor.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I thank the Chair.

(The remarks of Mr. GRASSLEY pertaining to the introduction of S. 209 are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I yield the floor and turn back any time if I have it.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, the distinguished Senator from Wyoming [Mr. THOMAS] is recognized to speak for up to 10 minutes.

Mr. THOMAS. I thank the Chair.

(The remarks of Mr. THOMAS pertaining to the introduction of S. 210 are located in today's RECORD under "Statements on Introduced Bills and Joint Resolutions.")

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I yield the floor and yield back any remaining time.

Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. GREGG). The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SENATOR CRAIG THOMAS

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. President, just a few moments of remarks, a moment to reflect. You do not get many of those here in this Chamber.

It was a great honor and privilege last week to escort Wyoming's new Senator, my good friend, my old friend, CRAIG THOMAS, to the well of the Senate Chamber for his swearing-in ceremony. That meant a great deal to me, and I think to us both, as he took the oath and became Wyoming's Senator, and for me, indeed, as I watched my old boyhood friend mark another and very significant and great accomplishment in his own life.

It is a rare opportunity for me to serve with someone I have known nearly all my life. We go back a long way, growing up in Cody, WY. He was born in Wapiti, WY. Many say that is called Wapeaty, but it is not. It is the word for "elk," Wapiti. And then he moved into Cody, 20 miles away, to my hometown. It was great fun to share those days together in the town founded by Buffalo Bill Cody himself, and we became friends and neighbors. In fact, we lived just across the alley from each other. He was a year behind me in high school, but he was the kind of person you noticed. He was fair, strong, good-hearted, very well liked by all his classmates, and none of us are at all surprised at how well CRAIG THOMAS has done. In fact, we are all very proud of him. I will say that we called him Lyle in those days. I should not bring that up. That was his name.

During those early years, CRAIG and I were each blessed to have two strong parents who nurtured, guided us, and were very patient with us. CRAIG's father was a schoolteacher. My dad was a lawyer in Cody, on the school board, very actively involved in education issues as well. Dad knew there was nothing more important than a good education. He had learned that from his father, CRAIG from his father. Both of our fathers instilled that goal in us, and we worked very hard to get it done. A lot of whatever success has come our way we owe to our parents.

CRAIG's dear mother is living. She was here the other day on that proud day. So is mine. Our families knew each other. Our loving parents were always a strong presence in our lives. And as I say, Marge was here and sons Patrick and Greg and, of course, a sister who was a classmate of my brother's and daughters-in-law and others of the family.

So then we, after high school, went to the University of Wyoming and not only hit the books but hit the tackling dummies. We played freshman football together for the Cowboys. And he went off to the Marines; I went off to the infantry.

Many years passed. Politics attracted us both. And now we find ourselves serving together in the Senate. Along the way we met and married two very special women. It seems we are very fortunate to have overmarried. I think

the road to this arena, the Senate, would have been a lot rockier had Ann and Susie not been strong and capable partners in our lives. CRAIG's wife Susie has dedicated her time, her energy, and her talents to the service of teaching, teaching of the learning disabled. And my wife Ann was a teacher, too, when we married over 40 years ago and has long been involved in many educational, artistic, and mental health issues. They have both been an inspiration to all who know them and are well dedicated to their strong commitment in making a difference in their communities, whether Wyoming or here.

Susie Roberts Thomas comes from Barnum, WY, a town so small that the zip code is a fraction. In fact, a fellow who lived there said once it was so small he thought its name was "Resume Speed."

Her father was Harry Roberts, who was superintendent of public instruction in Wyoming, a very wonderful man, and her mother Toni.

Well, the road here is not an easy one. As someone said, on the high road of humility in Washington, DC, you are not bothered by heavy traffic, and that is true. But nobody has paid his dues more generously and willingly than CRAIG THOMAS, and the toughness he picked up during his service in the Marine Corps has served him well in life and politics. It is a contact sport.

So CRAIG began his service in Wyoming and pursued his interests and his business and his activities and his work with the Wyoming Farm Bureau, the American Farm Bureau, and the Wyoming REA. I recall he used to lobby me on those issues with his remarkable brand of straightforwardness and candor. Now he is on the other side of that fence, and he will be the object of other lobbying efforts. I cannot wait for the REA to show up and begin to work him over on the budget. I hope I can sit in.

We both came to this Congress with ties to our State government. He served in the statehouse from 1985 to 1989. I served there for about 13 years. We did not serve concurrently, but we both kept the lines of communication wide open on issues of concern to Wyoming. And then in 1989, President George Bush selected Dick Cheney to be his Secretary of Defense. CRAIG had already built a strong network of friends and supporters, so he was tapped to "lead the charge" for Dick's seat. To no one's surprise, he won—and worked very hard to do it. Soon after, he was asked by the media if he would be another Dick Cheney, and he quickly quipped that he would not. He said, "Where Dick would have accomplished something but perhaps would have done it through the 'insider route,' I would probably fuss more." And so he has. And Wyoming has been all the better for his "fussing." He said once that no one would have been more pleased to see Dick Cheney Secretary of Defense than he in his whimsical, wry

way of humor. He has never been a game player except on the sports field. He always tells you exactly how he feels and why, and he has a quality of outspoken honesty that is greatly appreciated out West where still to some their word is their bond.

And so now he has jumped in and become wet all over. As our old college coach said, "Jump in and get wet all over." Now he comes here and joins the Committees on Energy and Natural Resources, Foreign Relations, Indian Affairs, and Environment and Public Works. It will be great having CRAIG and our new Representative, BARBARA CUBIN, too, the first woman Congressman to represent Wyoming in the Equality State's history—and we are known as the Equality State—it will be an honor to serve with her.

So we have swiftly "jump started" this session. We have all hit the ground running this year. There has been dramatic change in our lives, and the resulting challenges we face may be a bit tougher than in past years, but the rewards will be great, too.

His dedicated spirit will help us all. It gives me a genuinely warm feeling and a great deal of pride to welcome CRAIG THOMAS to the Senate. I cherish his friendship. He is a wonderful man, of great strength, great rich good humor. I hope neither one of us will recite the "Cremation of Sam McGee" from memory, certainly not in the Chamber. But perhaps at some time we will certainly do that for you.

So I look forward to working with him, my old friend, during this historic 104th session of the Congress. God bless him and his work for Wyoming.

I thank the Chair.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from North Dakota, under the previous order, is recognized for 30 minutes.

THE REPUBLICAN CONTRACT: IT DOES NOT ADD UP

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, ever since the November 8 election, the Republican majority and the media have been talking about the Contract With America. The contract sets out the Republican agenda for the first session of the Congress, and it has many good elements in it. For example, I strongly support the Congressional Accountability Act, which will ensure that Congress lives by the same rules it imposes on everyone else. That is something that we almost passed in the last Congress and that is something we will pass in this Congress.

I support the unfunded mandates bill, which will make it more difficult for Congress to mandate State and local governments to establish programs unless Congress appropriates funding to pay for them. That also makes common sense. And it is also something we were working on in the last Congress. But when it comes to the budget and tax elements of the contract, there are two big problems.

First, the numbers just do not add up. There has been a lot of talk about what will not be cut, but the specific proposals on what Republicans believe should be cut fall far short of what is needed to balance the budget. And if the math does not work, the contract will balloon our deficits, explode the national debt, slow our economy, and leave future generations to clean up the mess.

Second, the tax cuts proposed by the Republicans are unfair because they are clearly designed to benefit the wealthiest among us far more than average Americans. And the program cuts necessary to finance these tax cuts, or the higher interest rates that will result when the Republicans fail to balance the budget as promised, will hurt the middle class. Let me explain why the contract does not add up and why it is unfair to average Americans.

We first have to look at the current budget outlook. The contract calls for a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution, which would require a balanced budget by the year 2002. I strongly support this goal. Deficit reduction has been at the top of my agenda since I came to the Senate in 1986, and I have spent an enormous amount of time working on the Federal budget, learning about it, and devising plans to put our fiscal house in order. Every year I have been in the Senate, I have offered comprehensive plans in the Budget Committee, or far-reaching amendments in the Budget Committee or on the floor of the Senate, to achieve more ambitious deficit reduction goals.

Unfortunately, the rest of the Republican contract that is before us makes it far more difficult to meet the balanced budget goal. According to the Congressional Budget Office, it will take more than \$1 trillion in cuts over the next 7 years to reach a balance by the year 2002. That is what this chart shows. This is what is necessary to achieve balance by the year 2002—over \$1 trillion in budget cuts.

This is not millions of dollars; this is not billions of dollars—this is a trillion dollars, one thousand billion dollars. And that is only if we do not do anything to make the problem worse before we start to solve it.

But the contract makes things far more difficult because it promises hundreds of billions of dollars in tax cuts, most of which would benefit the wealthy far more than average Americans.

The Republicans call it the Contract With America. I call it a Contract on the Middle Class. In order to pay for the tax cuts, the Republicans will have to cut an additional \$364 billion in the next 7 years, much of it from programs that benefit middle income families. So let me be clear. If we do not do anything to make the problem worse before we begin to solve it, we need \$1 trillion in cuts over the next 7 years to